Hidden Symmetries of 4D $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Gauge Theories

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Main Points

We study the global symmetries of the \mathbb{Z}_2 -orbifold of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super-Yang-Mills theory and its marginal deformations. The process of orbifolding to obtain an $\mathcal{N} = 2$ theory would appear to break the SU(4) R-symmetry down to SU(2)×SU(2)×U(1). We show that the broken generators can be recovered by moving beyond the Lie algebraic setting to that of a Lie algebroid. This remains true when marginally deforming away from the orbifold point by allowing the couplings Results

- At the orbifold point define the "co-product" of all su(4) generators as Lie Algebroid.
- Show that the Lagrangian is invariant under the action of these R-symmetry generators.
- Use F-terms of marginally deformed theory to define a Drienfeld-like twist and deform the Lie Algebroid with it.
- Define coassociator and show that the deformed generators also leaves the deformed Lagrangian (scalar) invariant.
- Implications on the spectrum of the theory...

notions of symmetry. In particular, abandoning the requirement that all group operations can be composed leads to the concept of a groupoid (see [4, 5] for reviews).



Broken and Unbroken Generators of su(4)

$$\begin{aligned} R_{(11)} &= R_{(22)} = \left\{ \mathcal{R}^{1}_{1}, \mathcal{R}^{1}_{2}, \mathcal{R}^{2}_{1}, \mathcal{R}^{2}_{2}, \mathcal{R}^{3}_{3}, \mathcal{R}^{3}_{4}, \mathcal{R}^{4}_{3}, \mathcal{R}^{4}_{4} \right\} ,\\ R_{(12)}^{+} &= R_{(21)}^{+} = \left\{ \mathcal{R}^{3}_{1}, \mathcal{R}^{3}_{2}, \mathcal{R}^{1}_{4}, \mathcal{R}^{2}_{4} \right\} ,\\ R_{(12)}^{-} &= R_{(21)}^{-} = \left\{ \mathcal{R}^{1}_{3}, \mathcal{R}^{2}_{3}, \mathcal{R}^{4}_{1}, \mathcal{R}^{4}_{2} \right\} .\end{aligned}$$

$$[\mathcal{R}^a{}_b, \mathcal{R}^c{}_d] = \delta^c{}_b \mathcal{R}^a{}_d - \delta^a{}_d \mathcal{R}^c{}_b .$$

Algebroid must obey graded structure

[(unbroken), (unbroken)] = (unbroken),[(broken), (unbroken)] = (broken),[(broken), (broken)] = (unbroken) .

We define a coproduct that extend the action of broken/unbroken generators to

$$\mathcal{V}_{11} = \left\{ \left\{ Z_1, \bar{Z}_1 \right\}, \left\{ X_{12} X_{21}, Z_1 Z_1, \cdots \right\}, \left\{ X_{12} X_{21} Z_1, Z_1 Z_1, \cdots \right\}, \cdots \right\}, \qquad (3.2)$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{12} = \left\{ \left\{ X_{12}, \bar{X}_{12}, Y_{12}, \bar{Y}_{12} \right\}, \left\{ X_{12} Z_2, Z_1 X_{12} \cdots \right\}, \left\{ X_{12} X_{21} X_{12}, Z_1 X_{12} Z_2, \cdots \right\}, \cdots \right\}, \qquad (3.2)$$

$$\Delta_{\circ} \left(\mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \right) \coloneqq \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} + \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \otimes \Omega^{a}{}_{b},$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{\gamma} : \mathbf{1} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{2} \\ \Omega^{a}{}_{b} &= \begin{cases} \mathbf{1}, & \text{if } \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \text{ is unbroken} \\ \gamma, & \text{if } \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \text{ is broken} \end{cases} \\ \Delta^{(L)}_{\circ} \left(\mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b}\right) &= \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left(\mathbf{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathcal{R}^{\ell}{}_{b} \otimes \Omega^{a}{}_{b} \otimes \cdots \otimes \Omega^{a}{}_{b} \right) \\ \mathcal{R}^{3}{}_{2} \triangleright \frac{1}{g} |\mathcal{W}_{1}\rangle_{\circ} &= 0 \\ \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \triangleright |\mathcal{L}_{K,1}\rangle_{\circ} = X_{12} \bar{X}_{21} + \ldots = 0 \\ \vdots \qquad \qquad \mathcal{R}^{a}{}_{b} \triangleright |\mathcal{V}(g,g)\rangle = 0 \end{split}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \kappa^{-\frac{s}{2}} \otimes \kappa^{-\frac{s}{2}} , \qquad (5.1)$$

where we have introduced the \mathbb{Z}_2 element s, whose definition on site ℓ is

$$s(\ell) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the first gauge index on site } \ell \text{ is } 1 \\ -1 & \text{if the first gauge index on site } \ell \text{ is } 2 \end{cases}$$
(5.2)

Since the \mathbb{Z}_2 generator γ flips both gauge indices at a given site, s does not commute with γ but rather we have

$$s\gamma = -\gamma s \ . \tag{5.3}$$

It is easy to check that this twist correctly leads to the F-term XZ quantum plane:

$$\mathcal{F} \triangleright (X_{12}Z_2 - Z_1X_{12}) = X_{12}Z_2 - \frac{1}{\kappa}Z_1X_{12} , \qquad (5.4)$$

while also giving $\mathcal{F} \triangleright (X_{12}X_{21}) = X_{12}X_{21}$ and $\mathcal{F} \triangleright (Z_1Z_1) = \kappa^{-1} Z_1Z_1$.

Turning to the coproduct of the broken generators, writing $\sigma^+ = \mathcal{R}_2^3$ and $\sigma^- = \mathcal{R}_3^2$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\kappa}(\sigma^{\pm}) &= \mathcal{F}_{12}\Delta_{\circ}(\sigma^{\pm})\mathcal{F}_{12}^{-1} = \kappa^{-\frac{s}{2}} \otimes \kappa^{-\frac{s}{2}} (\mathbbm{1} \otimes \sigma^{\pm} + \sigma^{\pm} \otimes \gamma) \kappa^{\frac{s}{2}} \otimes \kappa^{\frac{s}{2}} \\ &= \mathbbm{1} \otimes \sigma^{\pm} + \sigma^{\pm} \otimes \kappa^{-\frac{s}{2}} \gamma \kappa^{\frac{s}{2}} = \mathbbm{1} \otimes \sigma^{\pm} + \sigma^{\pm} \otimes \gamma \kappa^{s} \\ &= \mathbbm{1} \otimes \sigma^{\pm} + \sigma^{\pm} \otimes K, \end{aligned}$$
(5.5)

Spectrum and Future Directions



Figure 5: Depiction of the open 20' multiplet, with the action of the broken R-symmetry generators as dotted blue arrows and the unbroken $SU(2)_L$ as solid green arrows. The states present at each node of this diagram are connected via the action of the unbroken $SU(2)_R$.

For future, fill the gaps and generalize to \mathbb{Z}_N orbifolds...